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House of Representatives

The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. Foxx).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

Washington, DC, January 7, 2014.

I hereby appoint the Honorable Virginia Foxx to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Reverend Cara Spaccarelli, Christ Church, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Almighty and eternal God, You have blessed us with creation and made us fellow workers in bringing about Your kingdom.

So draw our hearts to You, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, that we may have insight into Your purposes for our country and wisdom and determination in providing for its future, that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in You, we may glorify You in our care for all Your people.

All this we ask in Your holy name. Amen.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mr. Brian Pate, one of his secretaries.

RESIGNATION FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resigna-

tion from the House of Representa- COMMUNICATION tives: REPRESENTATI

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, January 6, 2014. Hon. John A. Boehner, Speaker, House of Representatives,

DEAR SPEAKER BOEHNER: I hereby resign as a member of the United States House of Representatives, effective immediately upon being sworn in as the Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, the position to which I have been nominated by the President of the United States and confirmed by the United States Senate.

Service in the House has been a high honor. Please convey to my colleagues my thanks for the courtesies they have extended to me and for the privilege I have enjoyed of serving with them.

Sincerely.

Washington, DC.

MELVIN L. WATT, 12th District of North Carolina.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, January 6, 2014.

HOD PATRICK MCCRORY

State of North Carolina, Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC.

DEAR GOVERNOR McCrory: I hereby resign as a member of the United States House of Representatives, effective immediately upon being sworn in as the Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, the position to which I have been nominated by the President of the United States and confirmed by the United States Senate.

Service in the House has been a high honor

Sincerely.

MELVIN L. WATT,
12th District of North Carolina.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. WATT), the whole number of the House is 432.

COMMUNICATION FROM FIELD REPRESENTATIVE, THE HONOR-ABLE TOM GRAVES, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Travis Loudermilk, Field Representative, the Honorable Tom GRAVES, Member of Congress:

House of Representatives, Washington, DC, December 9, 2013.

Hon. John A. Boehner,

Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives that I have been served with a subpoena, issued by the State of Georgia Superior Court, County of Walker, for witness testimony.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

Travis Loudermilk, Field Representative.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker at 6 o'clock and 32 minutes p.m.

CALL OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will use the electronic system to ascertain the presence of a quorum.

Members will record their presence by electronic device.

☐ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., ☐ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

